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IN A CLIENT/SERVER ENVIRONMENT

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DECLARATION OF ALEXANDRE OKONECHNIKOV

1.

I, Alexandre Okonechnikov, am over twenty-one years of age, am of sound mind and health, and am otherwise qualified to give this declaration, and I do so freely as my own voluntary act, without any duress or coercion.

2.

I am named inventor of the above-identified application. At all times relevant to this Declaration, I have been an employee of InterTech Information Management, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("InterTech"). InterTech was acquired on or about July 12, 2004 by ChartOne, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

3.

Attached as Exhibit A is FIG. 3 of the above-identified patent application as originally filed on February 3, 2000. FIG. 3 is a user interface of the iCopy software (aka "Webcoding" or "eWebcoding" software) executed and displayed by a computer, or client device, on a monitor or display. FIG. 3 shows the user interface as it existed from a time at least as early as October 13, 1999.

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4.

The user interface of FIG. 3 included a document display portion, an index field portion, and a control portion separately defined in the display generated by a computer, all defined on a web page or hypertext mark-up language (HTML) document displayed within a web browser running on a computer or "client device."

5.

The user interface of FIG. 3 included a document display portion that displayed document data generated by scanning the document in print form (i.e., a "hard copy") with a scanner, and receiving that document data at the computer which displayed it in the display portion of the user interface.

6.

The user interface of FIG. 3 included the index field portion enabling a user to input index data using an input device of the client device into the user interface in association with the document data. The index data could be used for a variety of purposes, such as to identify the document data, to derive a key for storing the document data, to indicate a file path for storage of the index data and document data, to input text describing the nature of the scanned document, to identify a matter to which the scanned document relates, or to identify a transaction to which the document relates.

7.

The user interface of FIG. 3 included a control portion with a control element (the "iCopy" soft button in FIG. 3) operable by a user with an input device to generate a start scan signal to initiate scanning of a document with the scanner to generate the document data and to generate a send data signal to transmit the document data with the index data displayed by the web browser from the client device to the server over a network using a destination address for the server specified in an address field of the web browser. The control element had the capability to toggle between a 'scan' mode for scanning a document and a 'send' mode for sending the document data to a server for storage.

8.

The control element could be used to transmit the index data and document data over a communication network such as a local area network (LAN) or the Internet using transfer control protocol/Internet protocol (TCP/IP), hypertext transfer protocol (HTTP),

or other protocol. Once transmitted from a client device to a server over a communication network such as a local area network (LAN) or the Internet, the server had the capability to receive and store the document data and index data in a database storage unit, a separate unit from the server.

9.

Attached as Exhibit B is a communication (redacted to eliminate confidential or irrelevant information) from one of the inventors of the subject application, Dave Bahr, to me as one of the members of the development group, regarding a presentation for the iCopy (the new Internet Copy machine) developed by the inventors. As evidenced by this email, we (the inventors) could demonstrate a working embodiment with the features referenced in the above paragraphs at least as early as October 13, 1999.

10.

The user interface of FIG. 3 included a single "iCopy" button operable by a user with the input device to alternately generate the start scan signal and the send data signal, in order to alternately scan a document to generate document data, and transmit the document data and index data over a communications network to a server for storage, respectively.

11.

Exhibit C is a communication dated December 17, 1999 to me as part of the development team for the iCopy software. The communication attaches a Bug List which is included in this Declaration as part of Exhibit C.

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As indicated in Exhibit C, the functionality to adjust scale of a document (e.g., "zoom in" or "zoom out" or fit within display or make the same scale as the scanned document as indicated by corresponding software buttons in FIG. 3) existed before January 18, 2000.

12.

As indicated in Exhibit C, the functionality to select among multiple scanned documents for display in the display portion of the user interface (e.g., "first", "last", "next" or "previous" functions controlled by corresponding soft buttons as indicated by the corresponding software buttons in FIG. 3) existed before January 18, 2000.

13.

As indicated in Exhibit C, the functionality to scan single or multiple documents in one scan operation (e.g., as indicated in FIG. 3) existed before January 18, 2000.

14.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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